

REMARKS

In this preliminary Amendment, Applicant has cancelled Claims 16 – 41, without prejudice or disclaimer, and added new Claims 42 – 63. Claims 42 – 63 have been amended to specify various embodiments of the present invention. The support for the amendment can be found throughout the specification. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the amended claims, specification and drawing. All claims are now present for examination and prompt action toward that end is respectfully solicited.

Election of Species Requirement

The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect one of the following species for further examination: anti-inflammatory effects and pro-inflammatory effects.

Pursuant to the election of species requirement, Applicant elects the invention including the species of anti-inflammatory effects for further examination **without traverse**. The claims readable on the elected species are Claims 49 and 60 (previous Claims 24 and 37, respectively). It is respectfully submitted that Claims 42 – 48, 51 – 59 and 62 – 63 are generic claims.

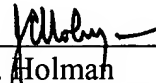
It is respectfully submitted that upon the allowance of the generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

An action on the merits of all of the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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